# Disadvantaged **Business Enterprise** Program Qutreach Meetings

# Who is this meeting for

- Minority contractor groups
- Women contractor groups
- General contractor groups
- Community organizations
- Anyone who would like to provide input regarding TxDOT's DBE Program ...

# What is the purpose of this meeting

- Provide information about TxDOT's DBE Program
- Discuss requirements of the DBE Program
- Provide information on TxDOT's Supportive Services Programs
- Discuss DBE Goal and Methodology
- Discuss Opportunities to do business with TxDOT
- Get input regarding challenges and concerns regarding the DBE Program

# What is the DBE program

- The U.S. Department of Transportation's DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise) program provides a vehicle for increasing the participation of women and minorities in state and local procurement.
- Federal Regulations require state and local transportation agencies that receive DOT financial assistance to establish a DBE Program and goals for the participation of DBEs.
- State and local transportation agencies are required to establish annual DBE goals and review contracts throughout the year to establish contract-specific DBE subcontracting goals.

### Who participates in the DBE program

- Highway TxDOT
- Aviation Dallas/Fort Worth Airport, Dallas Love Field, Houston Bush International Airport, Houston Hobby, and all other major airports in Texas
- Transit Houston Metro, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), Austin Capital Metro, San Antonio VIA, etc.



### 3 Major Program Areas

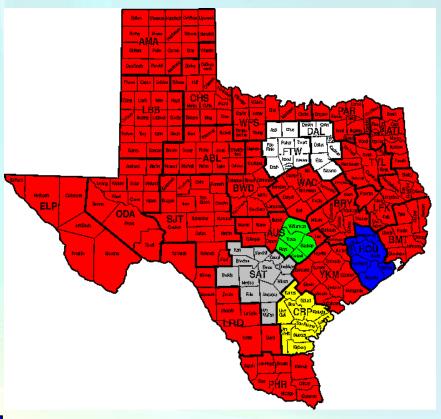
Minority/Women/Small/Disabled Veterans Businesses

- Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)
- Historically Underutilized Business (HUB)
- Small Business Enterprise (SBE)

# Components of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program

- Certification
- Compliance
- Goal Setting
- Reporting
- Supportive Services

### **DBE Certification - TUCP**

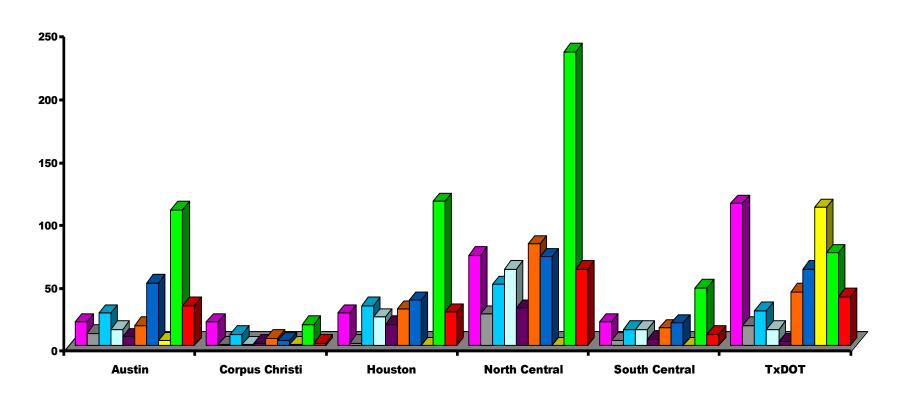


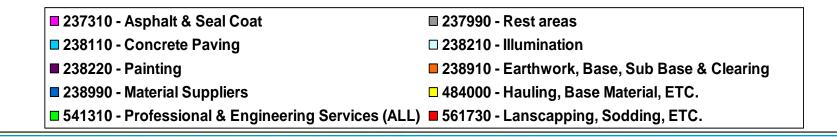


## **Certification Requirements**

- <u>51 percent owned</u>, <u>managed</u> and <u>controlled</u> by an economically and socially disadvantaged individual
- Must be U.S. citizen or Legally Admitted Resident
- Contributions, ownership, and daily management control clearly documented
- Presumed Groups: Asian-American; African-American; Native American; Hispanic; Women
- The primary economically disadvantaged owner(s) must fill out a personal net worth statement and cannot exceed \$1.32 million
- Firm must be organized as a for-profit business
- On-site visit required

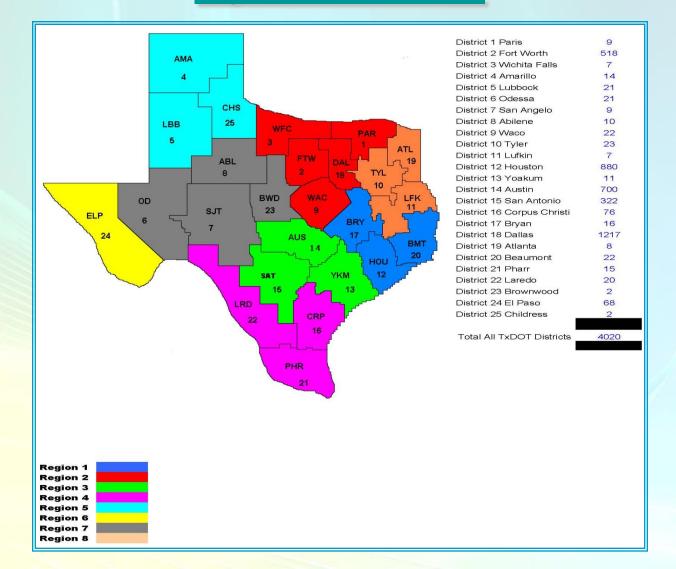
# DBEs CERTIFIED BY HEAVY HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION NAICS CATEGORIES





### **Overview of DBE Availability**

### **by Districts**



# **Compliance**

- TxDOT monitors DBE participation on all prime and sub contracts
- Contractors identify DBE subcontractors that they are intending to use to meet DBE contract goal
- Contractors submit monthly reports on DBE participation
- TxDOT staff verify that DBE subcontracts are in compliance with federal program requirements
- TxDOT identifies any corrective actions for compliance issues

### **DBE GOAL CALCULATION**

#### It's a Two Step Process!

Step 1 - Determine the base figure for the relative availability of DBEs. Availability refers to ready, willing and able (RWA) firms.

Step 2 - Examine available evidence to determine adjusting base figure.

This Public Consultation Meeting serves to identify evidence not immediately known/available to TxDOT.

# Goal Methodology - RC/RN

- ► The 2 Step process identifies the Overall DBE Goal. Further analysis determines how much of the goal can be projected to be met through Race-Neutral means.
- ► The portion of the goal that cannot be met by race neutral participation is met through Race-Conscious means. The Race-Conscious means are CONTRACT GOALS.

#### **TxDOT DBE Accomplishments Overview**

Fiscal Year	Goal	Accomplishment
2006	12.54%	12.74%
2007	12.12%	11.56%
2008	12.12%	14.71%
2009	11.00%	12.17%
2010	11.62%	10.85%

### **Recommended DBE Goal**

Based on the information and evidence currently available, TxDOT is recommending a DBE Goal of 11.7% (Estimate)

WHAT WAS CONSIDERED? Relative Availability and Adjustments to the goal.

- In determining the relative availability TxDOT utilized:
  - 1.) Modified Bidders List
  - 2.) Census/DBE Directory information
  - 3.) State Disparity Study
- In determining any adjustments TxDOT considered:
  - 1.) Available Data
  - 2.) Past Participation
  - 3.) Public Consultation

For information or a copy of the State of Texas Disparity Study contact the State of Texas Comptroller's website: www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/disparity/

# TxDOT's Supportive Services Programs

- Technical Assistance Program (TAP)
- Learning Information Network Collaboration (LINC)
- Small Business Briefings
- Specialized Workshops
- Business Webinars
- Texas Business Opportunities & Development Program (TBOD)
- One On One Business Appointment Program
- TxDOT\_BidOpps

# **TxDOT Small/Minority Business Website Resources**



#### Small / Minority Business Opportunities Program

#### Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

- Program Information
- Application
- Forms Directory
- Needs Assessment
- Memorandum of Understanding
- Texas Unified Certification Program (TUCP)
- 49 CFR Part 26
- Special Provision 000-1966
- Special Provision 009-009
- FHWA 1273

#### **Small Business Enterprise**

- Program Information
- Application
- Forms
- Texas Administrative Code §9.55

#### Other Resources

- Doing Business
- Bid Opening Information
- Business Development Networking Guide
- CDA Projects
- Electronic State Business Daily (ESBD)
- Roadlines Newsletter
- Statewide Resources Guide
- U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Size Standards

#### **Historically Underutilized Business**

- Program Information
- Eligibility
- Application
- Directory
- Subcontracting Plan
- Subcontracting Plan (HSP) Forms
- Texas Statutes Government Code, Chapter

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Texas Administrative Code §20.14

#### **Supportive Services**

- Overview
- Business Appointments
- Economic Opportunity Forums (EOFs)
- Small Business Briefings
- Small Business LINC Mentor-Protégé Program Application
- Technical Assistance Program (TAP)
- Webinars

Website URL/Link http://www.txdot.gov/business/business outreach/default.htm

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# What we want

#### ! To Get Your Input

- ! To Obtain Information From You Regarding:
  - availability of disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged businesses
  - the effects of discrimination on contract opportunities
  - TxDOT efforts to provide information and opportunities to DBEs

## **DBE Program Input Survey**







Please take online survey at:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5JGB8PD

By: August 1, 2011



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